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DOE FOR WILLIT

DEPT PASS TO NASA HQ, U. JOHN SAKSS

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: ENRG, TECH, JA
SUBJECT: VISIT OF NIPPON STEEL EXECUTIVE TO DOE FOR WIND AND
BIOMASS ENERGY DISCUSSIONS

1. MR. RYUICHI ANDO, NOW EXECUTIVE COUNSELLOR WITH NIPPON
STEEL CORP. AND FORMERLY JAPANESE AMBASSADOR TO KENYA AND
GREECE, HAS CALLED AT EMBASSY TO SOLICIT ASSISTANCE FOR HIS
PLANNED VISIT TO U.S. TO DISCUSS DEVELOPMENT AND USE OF
ALTERNATIVE ENERGY SOURCES IN JAPAN. ANDO HAS LITTLE
TECHNICAL BACKGROUND HIMSELF BUT CAN CALL ON OTHERS FOR
HELP. HE TAKES POSITION THAT JAPAN IS IMPORTING FAR TOO
MUCH OIL, THAT NUCLEAR ENERGY CANNOT MEET ALL NEEDS, AND
THAT OTHER SOURCES SUCH AS WIND MACHINES AND FUELS DERIVED
FROM BIOMASS (KELP IN PARTICULAR) NEED URGENT ATTENTION.
SINCE ANDO REPRESENTS GROWING POPULAR SENTIMENT IN JAPAN
AND IS INFLUENTIAL MEMBER OF ONE OF WORLD'S LARGEST
(ALTHOUGH ECONOMICALLY DEPRESSED) CORPORATIONS,
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EMBASSY SUGGESTS THAT DOE PROVIDE REASONABLE BRIEFINGS
FOR HIM ON STATE OF U.S. DEVELOPMENT OF WIND ENERGY
AND BIOMASS WHEN HE ARRIVES IN WASHINGTON ON OR ABOUT
FEBRUARY 3. NEW YORK OFFICE OF NIPPON STEEL WILL BE
CALLING WILLIT TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS. IF NECESSARY OR
USEFUL, NASA HQ MAY WISH TO BRIEF ANDO AS WELL ON
ITS ROLE IN WIND MACHINE DEVELOPMENT.

2. ANDO HAS ALSO STATED INTEREST IN RECEIVING BRIEFING AT DOE ON U.S. POLICY FOR MEETING MEDIUM-TERM ENERGY DEMANDS. HE BELIEVES HE CAN BE USEFUL IN PASSING THIS INFO TO OTHER INFLUENTIAL PEOPLE IN JAPAN.

3. ANDO SPEAKS SATISFACTORY ENGLISH AND IS OBVIOUSLY DEDICATED TO HIS BELIEFS. IF VISIT TO DOE AND/OR NASA CAUSES ANY PROBLEMS, CABLE REPLY ASAP. HE LEAVES FOR NEW YORK ON FEB. 1.
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